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ABSTRACT

This study is an outgrowth of a research project undertaken shortly after the collapse of the German Democratic Republic (GDR). The book is divided into four sections with 15 chapters. Part 1, "The Context," provides: (1) "Education and Social Change in Germany"; (2) "The Politics of Division and Unification"; (3) "Education in the Federal Republic of Germany"; (4) "Education in the German Democratic Republic"; and (5) "Teachers and Teaching in the Two Germanys." Part 2, "The Collapse and Its Aftermath," contains: (1) "The Crisis and Collapse of East Germany and Its Schools"; and (2) "Creativity in East German Schooling." Part 3, "The Unification of the Two Germanys," offers: (1) "Toward a West German Education Model"; (2) "School Laws in the New States of Germany"; and (3) "Transformed Education in the New States." Part 4, "Some Special Cases," includes: (1) "Gender Issues Related to Work and Education"; (2) "Family Education"; (3) "Free-Time and Education"; and (4) "Education, Extremism, and the Foreigner." Part 5, "Beyond the New States of Germany," has the chapter "A United Germany Faces the Future in a United Europe." The volume concludes with a copy of the school law of the state of Saxony-Anhalt and an extensive bibliography. (EH)

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